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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
KOU ISHIZUKA) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 09/780,433) : Group Art Unit: 2878
Filed: February 12, 2001) :
For: OPTICAL ENCODER) April 9, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
08/401,702	03/10/1995	2505
09/327,166	06/07/1999	2753
09/562,434	05/01/2000	2877
08/736,595	10/24/1996	2505
09/550,165	04/14/2000	2878
09/523,312	03/10/2000	2872
09/156,491	09/18/1998	2651

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

FORMAL MATTERS


No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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